

Late Backup

ITEM NO. 006

8/4/2011

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City of Austin ("City") on October 18, 2007, passed Ordinance No. 20071018-008 electing to participate in the Texas Enterprise Zone Program, and the City amended the ordinance on November 4, 2010. The local economic development incentives available in Austin are the same on this date as those outlined in Ordinance No. 20071018-008, as amended by Ordinance No. 20101104-046 ; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Governor, Economic Development and Tourism, through the Economic Development Bank, will consider the project proposed by Gila, LLC, ("Gila") as a single enterprise project pursuant to a nomination and an application made by the City; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to pursue the creation of the proper economic and social environment in order to induce the investment of private resources in productive business enterprises located in the City and to provide employment to residents of enterprise zones and to other economically disadvantaged individuals; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 2303, Subchapter F of the Texas Enterprise Zone Act, Texas Government Code (the "Act"), Gila has applied to the City for designation as a single enterprise project;

WHEREAS, Gila meets the criteria for designation as an enterprise project under Chapter 2303, Subchapter F of the Act on the following grounds:

1. Gila is a "qualified business" under Section 2303.402 of the Act since it will be engaged in the active conduct of a trade or business at a qualified business site within the governing body's jurisdiction located outside an enterprise zone and at least thirty-five percent (35%) of the business' new employees at the qualified business site will be residents of an enterprise zone or economically disadvantaged individuals; and
2. There has been and will continue to be a high level of cooperation between public, private, and neighborhood entities within the area; and
3. The designation of Gila as an enterprise project will contribute significantly to the achievement of the plans of the City for development and revitalization of the area.

WHEREAS, the City will provide expedited permitting and inspection for the Gila expansion; and

WHEREAS, the City finds that Gila meets the criteria for an enterprise project and wishes to nominate Gila as a single enterprise project on the grounds

that it will be located at the qualified business site and will create a higher level of employment, economic activity and stability; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the City to nominate Gila as an enterprise project pursuant to the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

1. The above recitals are adopted as findings of the City Council.
2. Gila is a "qualified business", as defined in Section 2303.402 of the Act, and meets the criteria for designation as a single enterprise project, as set forth in Section 2303, Subchapter F of the Act.
3. The City Council nominates Gila to the Office of the Governor, Economic Development and Tourism, through the Economic Development Bank, as an enterprise project that should take effect on September 1, 2011 and terminate on September 1, 2016.

ADOPTED: _____, 2011,

ATTEST: _____

Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk